

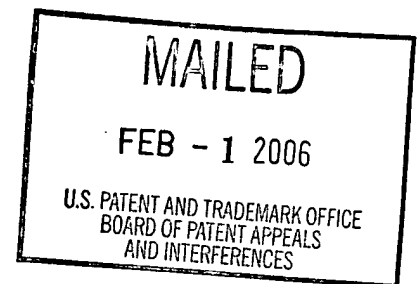
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte MARK S. ABAD,
SCOTT E. ANDERSEN,
PATRICE DUBOIS,
DEBBIE A. MAHADEO, and
JAMES D. MASUCCI

Appeal No. 2005-1165
Application 09/696,664



ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before FLEMING, Chief Administrative Patent Judge,
HARKCOM, Vice Chief Administrative Patent Judge,
ADAMS, Administrative Patent Judge.

Per curiam.

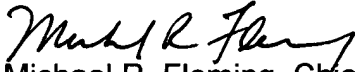


On February 13, 2003, appellant filed a Notice of Appeal. On January 17, 2006, appellants filed a communication requesting that this application be "expressly abandoned under 37 C.F.R. §1.138(a) upon entry of the Amendment filed January 6, 2006." Appellants also noted that a continuation application was filed on January 12, 2006.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the appeal filed February 13, 2003, is dismissed.

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The application is being returned to the examiner for further action as may be appropriate.

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